

The Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Dear The Federal Communications Commission,

Keep the USF fair, and charge according to use, not a flat tax.

We are not a communistic society.

Communism is where everyone puts in an equal share, pays the same, and logistically gets an equal profit. True communism doesn't exist, as we've all seen that the profits are not shared equally, nor do people put in the same amount of energy in work, nor do they take the same amount out.

I propose this.... if you intend to have me pay a flat tax portion on everyone's long distance, then I want a flat share in your's and everyone else's salary. Period. That's fair, isn't it? You work, they work, I work. We combine the salaries together, and then give out an equal share to EVERYONE! No matter what the job, no matter what the qualifications, no matter what each person has done or not done. We all get the same pay.

A flat tax is essentially the same principle, isn't it? No matter how much I use, or you use, or others use, we all pay the same fee.

Hopefully, this letter has made you think.

Be fair in your decision regarding the Universal Service Fund. Because if a flat tax becomes the norm, I am going to petition Capital Hill for a flat salary. And I'll expect all those supporting a flat tax to support a flat salary, as well, since it's based on the same principle.

Now, you can see the nice little form letter which you never read because you get so many of them.

Congratulations on your appointment to Chair the FCC. In your new leadership role, I urge you to support the "Fair Share Plan" as a solution to current concerns with the Universal Service Fund (USF). The Fair Share Plan will keep the USF fair, ensuring that consumers like me do not pay the same rate into the USF as big businesses, regardless of how little I may use long distance.

The Keep USF Fair Coalition submitted the Fair Share Plan to the FCC on January 31, 2005. It expands who pays into the USF so that other technologies - not just phones - pay into the system. The Fair Share Plan collects the USF using a combination numbers- and revenue-based plan. This keeps the system fair, equitable and non-discriminatory.

Under the flat fee or numbers-based plan you are considering, people like me who make few long distance calls would pay the

same as people or businesses that make many calls. I believe it would be unfair to charge low-volume and residential customers the same fees as high-volume residential or business customers.

I urge you to keep the USF fair, and adopt the Fair Share Plan. Thank you, and best of luck in your new position.

cc: Marlene Dortch, Secretary

Sincerely,

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